

PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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COMMUNICATION

FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FISCAL YEAR 1953, AMOUNTING TO \$600,000, IN THE FORM OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE BUDGET

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MAY 7 (legislative day, MAY 1), 1952.—Read; referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed

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THE WHITE HOUSE,  
*Washington, May 6, 1952.*

THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of the Congress a proposed supplemental appropriation for the fiscal year 1953, in the amount of \$600,000, for the Department of Agriculture, in the form of an amendment to the budget for said fiscal year.

The details of this proposed supplemental appropriation, the necessity therefor, and the reasons for its submission at this time are set forth in the attached letter from the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully yours,

HARRY S. TRUMAN.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,  
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,  
*Washington, D. C., May 6, 1952.*

THE PRESIDENT,  
*The White House.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a proposed supplemental appropriation for the fiscal year 1953, in the

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amount of \$600,000, for the Department of Agriculture, in the form of an amendment to the budget for said fiscal year, as follows:

### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

#### AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION

#### BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY

#### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Budget page	Heading	Original estimate	Change to—	Increase
422	Meat inspection.....	\$13, 660, 000	\$14, 260, 000	\$600, 000

The purpose of this proposed amendment is to increase the 1953 budget estimate by \$600,000 to permit the employment, in 1953, of the present meat-inspection forces without resorting to the levying of assessments against meat-packing establishments pursuant to permanent authority contained in the Department of Agriculture Appropriation Act, 1952. The budget estimate for 1953 contemplated financing this activity, to the extent of \$600,000, from such assessments in the same manner as contemplated by congressional action on the 1952 appropriation. Considerable opposition has been expressed by the industry to this method of financing because of the inequalities involved, and the House Committee on Appropriations has indicated that the Department should not resort to the assessment procedure in 1953. Consequently, the direct appropriation will have to be increased, or an inadequate number of inspectors will be available to handle the workload.

I recommend that the proposed supplemental appropriation be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully yours,

F. J. LAWTON,  
*Director of the Bureau of the Budget.*

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